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1. Approximately eighty Movimiento Nacionalista Revolucionario (MNR) leaders have now been detained by the Bolivian Government and sent to Guayamerin. The following individuals from Cochabamba, in addition to those reported in SO-18832, have been located and detained:

> Anibal Zamorano Miguel Jaldin Zosimo Orellana Ricardo Quiroga Abel Caero Ex-Captain Windsor Lopez Videla Ex-Lieutenant Juan Moreira Juan Pereira Jose Rosa Torrico Luis A. Musquivar

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- 2. Police authorities are still unsuccessful in their attempts to apprehend Major Alberto Taborga, Gustavo Chacon, and ex-Logia Radepa member, Octavio Saenz Guerrero.
- 3. Luis Penaloza and Augusto Cuadros Sanchez, who escaped from Riberalta on 26 October while enroute to Guayamerin, have succeeded in returning to La Paz. According to source, their escape was made possible through the aid of one of the civilian pilots of the Bolivian Rubber Development Corporation. Planes of this corporation make weekly trips to Riberalta and Guayamerin for the purpose of carrying supplies in and out of the area. Source further states that several of the pilots of the corporation are ardent MNR sympathizers and supporters. It has been reported that various MNH detainees have been receiving money, clothing, food and instructions from Party leaders still at large. It is believed that this aid may have been effected by contact between the MNR leaders and the above-cited civilian pilots.
- 4. In spite of vigorous action by the Government, the MNR, through its National Political Committee, is still actively engaged in its anti-Hertzog campaign. This committee is comprised principally of MNR Deputies to the National Congress and a few leaders who have thus far eluded the police authorities and are continuing their activities for the Party.

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5. The National Political Committee members are at present engaged in drawing up circulars for distribution among cell and commando members still at large. One such circular, planned for distribution during the second week in November, strongly criticized the Hertzog Covernment for the declaration of a state of siege, and for the chaotic conditions of the country.

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